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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: C. Kim
JOHN STANKO, ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 3752
Application No.: 09/640,063)	
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Filed: August 17, 2000)	
	:	
For: HYBRID DEICING SYSTEM AND)	December 31, 2001
METHOD OF OPERATION	:	(Monday)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 29, 2001,
reconsideration of the subject application is respectfully solicited.

Claims 90 through 182 are pending, with Claims 90, 98, 107, 116, 117, 124,
132, 150, and 151 being independent.

In response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Official Action,
Applicants provisionally elect Group I (Claims 90-115, 124-149, 158-163, 171, 172, 177,
and 178) with traverse, and request reconsideration and withdrawal of the requirement.
Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims could be searched by one Examiner

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without undue effort. Applicants also respectfully believe that it is not mandatory to make a restriction requirement in every possible situation. Applicants respectfully believe that if one Examiner acts on all of the claims of the present application, overall examining time will be less than if multiple Examiners are involved. Applicants also earnestly believe that the examination of all of the claims by one Examiner in the present application will best ensure uniform prosecution quality. Furthermore, Applicants have presented Claims 90 through 182 to provoke an interference with U.S. Patent Nos. 6,045,092 (Foster '092) and 6,029,934 (Foster '934), and submit that efficiency and simplicity would be served if a single application were involved in the interference. Therefore, in the interest of prosecution economy of time and quality for both the Office and Applicants, Applicants respectfully submit that withdrawal of the restriction requirement in this application is appropriate.

FORMAL MATTERS

No fee is believed due; however, any required fee should be charged to Deposit Account 06-1205.

CONCLUSION

As discussed in the Preliminary Amendment filed February 28, 2001, Applicants intend a Request for Interference regarding Foster '092 and '934, and

respectfully request that the Examiner contact the undersigned to schedule a personal interview before acting on the subject application.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached by telephone at (202) 530-1010.

All correspondence should be directed to the address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Daniel S. Glueck", is written over a horizontal line.

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Transmitted herewith is a Response To Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	93	MINUS	93	= 0	x \$ 9 \$18	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	10	MINUS	10	= 0	x \$42 \$84	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$140/\$280						--
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☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 CFR 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

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